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COUNTRY East Germany

SECURITY INFORMATION

REPORT NO

IC 1C General Military Information

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1. Troops and materiel from the Kindel troop training grounds entrained in Eisenach between 21 and 23 August 1953 included:

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21 August. Six JS tanks for Wustermark at 10 a.m. The turrets of the tanks were covered with tarpaulins.

23 August. Twelve 76-mm AT guns, 12 armored scout cars, 19 trucks and 1 bus on 32 flatcars with sideracks; and 250 troops wearing red-bordered black and black-bordered black epaulets in 8 boxcars; 16 officers, including 4 women, in 1 boxcar; and ammunition in 1 boxcar, for Altengrabow at about 8 a.m.

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23 August. Four 76-mm field guns, 8 x 122-mm field howitzers, 4 x 160-mm mortars, 22 trucks and radio truck on 35 flatcars with sideracks; 320 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets in 8 boxcars; 13 officers, including 1 colonel, in 1 boxcar; and ammunition in 1 boxcar, for Altengrabow at about 11 a.m.

At about noon on 23 August, 8 field howitzers, 4 field howitzers of about 150 mm, 4 x 160 mm mortars, 20 trucks and about 200 EM wearing red-bordered black epaulets and 15 officers were entrained for Altengrabow in Mechterstaedt.

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2. Troops and materiel unloaded at the Chemnitz railroad station included:

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a shipment of 76.2-mm AA guns with troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia in battalion strength during the night on 7 August. The troops left for the barracks installation on Lenin Strasse, Chemnitz;

a shipment of 4 trucks and 1 x 76.2-mm AA gun, which left for the barracks installation on Lenin Strasse; and, from 4 boxcars, about 400 ammunition boxes, which were shuttled to the ammunition depot near Ebersdorf by trucks, at about 4 p.m. on 8 August;

ten boxcarloads of ammunition, which were shuttled to the ammunition depot near Ebersdorf by five trucks, between 8 a.m. and 9 a.m. on 10 August. The escorting personnel wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. Most of the motor vehicle could be identified.

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Beginning at 6 a.m. on 11 August, several 76.2-mm AA guns and trucks, were entrained at the Chemnitz railroad station. 2

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25X1A1. Comment. On 23 August, artillery units of the 57th Gds Mtz Rifle Div presumably transferred to Altengrabow. The shipments have not been observed in rail-road records. 25X1X

25X1A2. Comment. [REDACTED]
25X1B [REDACTED] which involved a unit of the 6th Gds AAA Div (US) from Kroepelin. On 11 August, trains [REDACTED] which carried other elements of the division, left Chemnitz for Kroepelin. 25X1C
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